

LITERATURE.

REVIEW OF NEW BOOKS.

RURAL POEMS. By William Barnes. Published by Roberts Brothers, Boston. Philadelphia Agent, G. W. Pitzer, No. 808 Chestnut street.

Messrs. Roberts Brothers are winning for themselves an enviable reputation as the publishers of really good books. They have been particularly fortunate in introducing to the American public some of the best of the rising generation of English poets.

The splendid success of this last named work is as gratifying to all lovers of genuine poetry as it must be to the author and his publishers. No poem given to the world during the last twenty years was received with the same universal tokens of delight as the "Earthly Paradise," and there are few which have so well deserved the same hearty and enthusiastic praise which it has received.

From J. B. Lippincott & Co. we have received "A Few Friends and How They Amused themselves," by M. E. Dodge. The author of this book has endeavored to show people how to amuse themselves in a social way.

From the Presbyterian Publication Committee, No. 1334 Chestnut street, we have received the "Do Good Library," consisting of nine miniature volumes, titled as follows:—"Milly," "Little Helper," "Loitering Lina," "Stupid Sally," "Anna Hand," "Grandma Foster's Sunbeam," "Little Patience," "Little Dick Positive," and "Mam's Two Homes."

From the same publishers we have received "Married at Last," by Annie Thomas, one of the latest works of a popular novel writer.

From the same publishers we have received "The Little Gipsy," by Elie Sauvage, translated from the French of J. M. Luyster. This is an interesting and affecting little story, which children will like to read.

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Her own cheese, and roll her own chura, But a good way from home, Home's a nest, Where our children grow up to take on Our own places, when we are all gone.

F.—There is dapper young Joe, that has made A good jobbing in cattle, his trade, Is so skilful of mind, Home's a nest, C.—That the white any bullock might bare, He would know her all round, every hair; And my Fanny, so kind—and so mild, That I often would hope she might stay At my hearth, she is taken away, Ay, my Fanny, dear child! Home's a nest, C.—All forsaken, when children have flown, Like a nest in bush-top alone.

F.—There is Jim, that the neighbors all round Made their pet, is now gone, and is bound To a very good trade, Home's a nest, C.—Though his head is as thoughtful, a lout, As the bull he would hit so thoughtless, In the games that they played,—and he's near; But my Willie is gone from my door, And too far to come back any more, Any more to come here, Home's a nest, C.—Where our children are brought to fulfill Not our own, but our Father's good will.

We think that Mr. Barnes' Rural Poems will find their way into many households. Nothing so pure and fresh in the way of poetry has been laid upon our table for many a day, and we are confident that the more they are read the better they will be appreciated. The volume has been gotten up in very tasteful style by the publishers.

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THE BRIGHT SIDE OF AFFAIRS IN THE SOUTH. —The Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad has just paid over to the Treasurer of the State of Georgia \$23,000 from the earnings of the road for October.

—The Charleston Mercury has a distinctive notice of a New Yorker who has established himself in business there and been elected alderman. That's friendly from a source usually so ultra.

—The barque Admiral Cecilia, the fourth of a new line of vessels between France and Florida, is now on her way to the 4th instant. She brings a valuable cargo of wines, liquors, and fancy goods.

—An arrangement has been made between an agent of the New York and New Jersey Railroad and the New York and Pennsylvania (N. Y. & P.) line, by which transit between the different ports can be much facilitated.

—The Jackson (Miss.) Courier notices that a manufacturer from France attracted by the prospect of a market for his goods in Mississippi, selecting a location near the line of the New Orleans and Jackson Railroad. He will manufacture prunes and blacked goods.

—Cattle over a year old, which have not been long in the market, are selling at a high price in Texas, and, like Cain, may be killed by any one who meets them. The San Antonio Express says that in that city the market is stocked with hides from the country, taken from cattle without any regard to the owner.

—In West Tennessee pork bids fair to rule at much lower prices this season than for several years past. The great abundance of mast, as well as the heavy yield of corn throughout the country, is putting hog raisers in a predicament, and will assure in that section a plentiful supply of pork. Sales have been made at five cents.

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Table with columns: Description, Amount. Includes Premiums Received, Premiums on Policies not marked off, Premiums Marked Off, Interest during the same period, Losses, Expenses, Etc.

ASSETS OF THE COMPANY November 11, 1868. Table with columns: Description, Amount. Includes \$200,000 U. S. 5 per cent. Loan, \$100,000 U. S. 6 per cent. Loan, \$50,000 U. S. 6 per cent. Loan, etc.

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